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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

SUBJECT: Shipment and Storage of Personal Effects for
[REDACTED] Personnel.25X1A2d1

1. Attached is a copy of a memorandum from the Chief of Administration, WE Division, requesting a decision as to the propriety of continued payment of storage charges for effects of personnel being transferred from an emergency to a non-emergency area. It is requested that your Office furnish advice concerning legal aspects of this situation.

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2. It is recognized that current statutes and [REDACTED] (paragraph 11.b.), 4 April 1955, provide that effects may be stored at Government expense only if the post of duty is in an emergency area as designated by Headquarters. However, it is believed that the circumstances surrounding the situation described in the attached can be interpreted as permitting continued storage of effects at Government expense. Pertinent circumstances are:

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a. Effects originally were stored at Government expense in full compliance with governing statute and regulation.

b. Effects were placed in storage with the expectation on the part of the Government and the employees that they would be stored at Government expense until the tour of duty overseas was completed.

c. The change in permanent duty station of employees concerned was for the convenience of, and at the direction of, the Government and was directly related to the accomplishment of operational objectives.

3. A related, but perhaps not controlling, fact pertaining to the attached is that if the Government does not pay for the storage of these effects, it would appear that employees concerned are entitled legally to have these effects shipped to them at Government expense. Total costs involved in shipping these effects overseas and returning them are approximately \$2,363.80 for [REDACTED] and \$863.20 for [REDACTED]. These costs compare with a total of \$97.44 for [REDACTED] and \$59.52 for [REDACTED] if the Government continued to pay domestic storage costs.

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4. Your opinion on the attached will be used in the establishment of appropriate Agency policy regarding the storage of personal effects for other Agency personnel under similar situations.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (PLANS):

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Special Support Assistant
to the
Deputy Director (Support)

Attachment: Memo from C/WE/ADMIN as noted in para. 1. above.

cc: Comptroller, Director of Logistics, WE Division.